Remarks

On this Preliminary Amendment, Applicant's attorney has amended claim 8 and has added new claims 21-23 to ensure the Applicant receives the proper amount of claim coverage for his invention.

In view of the above and in the absence of art better than the art already of record in this application Applicant's attorney respectfully submits the application is in condition for allowance which allowance is respectfully requested.

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In The Claims

8. (Amended) The method as claimed in claim 7 wherein each of the heat sinks for a given laser diode is in electrical contract with either a heat sink associated with a different laser diode or with an electrical supply such that multiple laser diodes are electrically connected in series [or in parallel].